

APPROVED
BOARD OF STATE HISTORY
March 17, 2005
M I N U T E S

TIME: 12:30 P.M.

PLACE: State Archives Courtyard Training Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Homer, Chair
Pam Miller, Vice Chair
Kendall Brown
Kim Hyatt
Wally Wright
John Barton
Chere Romney
Gary Anderson

EXCUSED BOARD MEMBERS

Ron Coleman
Joel Janetski

ABSENT

Paul Anderson

DIVISION STAFF:

Phil Notarianni
Wilson Martin
Cory Jensen
Chris Hansen
Kevin Jones
Kristen Jensen
Barbara Murphy
Lynette Lloyd

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mark Staker, West Bountiful Historical Commission
Wendell W. Wild, West Bountiful City Administrator
Steve Williams, James Eldredge Property
Korral Broschinsky, Butler-Wallin Consultant
John Walker, Butler-Wallin Property
Ben Walker, Butler-Wallin Property
Renae Walker, Butler-Wallin Property
Lisa Walker, Butler-Wallin Property
Shelly Smith, BLM

OTHER STAFF:

Thom Roberts, Attorney General's Office
John Harja, Resource Planning & Legal Review Coordinator, Dept. of Natural Resources

WELCOME

Michael Homer thanked all the Board members for attending. Michael excused Ron Coleman and Joel Janetski. Paul Anderson was also absent.

WORKING LUNCH – Division Update – Phil Notarianni

As previously reported, the Department of Community and Economic Development was the first department to go through major changes by Governor Huntsman's new administration. The interim executive director of the newly reorganized Department of Community and Cultural, Yvette Donnoso Diaz has asked to be excused because of pressing issues at the department. During the next few months there will be additional restructuring within the Department. Currently, the new administration is requesting weekly and monthly reports to be submitted to the Department and sent to the Governor's Office.

Phil reviewed the Quarterly Report. The letter to the Governor recommending nominations to the Board was sent March 8, 2005. [The new Utah History Research Center is open.](#) The combined resources of Utah State Archives and Utah State Historical Society are now available in the newly remodeled section of the Rio Grande Depot. The hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

The Annual Meeting committee has put together a draft schedule for the Annual Meeting, September 15 – 17. The Rio Grande remodeling is almost complete. The construction on the exterior will be completed by the middle of June and when the project is complete, the division plans on having an open house. Phil appreciates the staff for their hard work and team effort during the move. He especially thanked Wilson for keeping the project on track and for doing a great job coordinating with all partners.

Wilson Martin reported that the first strategic planning meeting will be held **April 28, 2005, 7:00 -- 9:00 p.m. College of Eastern Utah at the Jennifer Leavitt Student Center, Alumni Room, 450 No. 300 East, in Price.**

Michael reminded the Book Committee and Article Committee to begin reviewing items from the year 2004. You may send your requests to Kent Powell, Kpowell@Utah.gov.

Wilson also reminded the Board that award nominations are due April 30. The new form to nominate organization for an award is on the website: <http://history@utah.gov>. Under the revised award policy, the division may provide awards when appropriate. An award will be presented to the 115th Engineering Battalion, Sunday March 20. The Battalion helped move the Russian building to Wendover Air Force Base.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 18, MEETING

John Barton made the motion to approve the January 18, 2005 minutes. Chere Romney seconded the motion. Unanimous approval was given to accept the minutes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A request was made for a closed Board executive session. Michael Homer went over the rules of an executive meeting. The statute, UCA (Utah Code Annotated) 52-4-3 provides that all meetings are open to the public; however a closed meeting may be held upon the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members of the public body present, at an open meeting for which notice is given pursuant to UCA 52-4-6, provided a quorum is present. The reason or reasons to go into executive session is according to UCA 52-4-3, subsection 1(a) 1, "discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual." The Board can invite whomever they want in the meeting.

A motion was made by John Barton to go into executive session. Gary Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: John Barton, yes; Pam Miller, yes; Chere Romney, yes; Wally Wright, yes; Gary Anderson, yes; and Michael Homer, yes. Kendall Brown was excused before the motion. The Board immediately went into executive session.

During the closed session, John Harja from the Department of Natural Resources made a presentation.

John Barton made the motion that a committee be formed to make recommendations to the Board relating to HB 308, Archaeological Resources Amendments sponsored by Representative Brad Johnson. Gary Anderson seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous approval.

Michael Homer asked Pam Miller and Gary Anderson if they would be willing to be on the committee, and they agreed to report back to the Board at the May meeting.

PRESENTATION BY BLM

Shelly Smith, Resource Manager for the Bureau of Land Management, explained that about seven or eight years ago BLM launched a data-sharing project. BLM would like to recognize and convey their appreciation for the dedication and partnership that has occurred in data management. Kristen Jensen has made tremendous strides in site records and survey data automation. Phil also acknowledged Wilson Martin and Kevin Jones for their involvement in providing GIS information online. This service is important to many partners. The plaque reads as follows:

"Presented to Utah Division of State History, Antiquities Section. In Recognition and Appreciation for Your Continued Support and Active Involvement in the Bureau of Land Management's Data Sharing Program, Bureau of Land Management 2004."

In Utah, there is a long history of excellent interagency cooperation. A centralized GIS database of archaeological site and project information has progressed since 1998, in cooperation with many state and federal agencies. The BLM has been an outstanding partner in this endeavor. Approximately 85% of the state's archaeological GIS are now available to our agency partners via the Internet. This allows them to access the most current archaeological information from their desktops. Maintaining a central repository reduces duplication of efforts, allows the pooling of resources, and creates one-stop-shopping for all customers.

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS

Michael Homer apologized to the public for delaying the nominations.

Eldredge, James and Jane, House, presented by Chris Hansen. The Board made a motion at the January 18 meeting to table the nomination so the preservation staff would be able to provide current photos of the property. Chris presented to the Board new photos of the property with the new addition.

John Barton made the motion to approve the Eldredge, James and Jane house for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Wally Wright seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous approval.

Butler-Wallin House – Salt Lake City, presented by Cory Jensen. The Butler-Wallin House, built in 1928-1929, is a 1½-story Period Revival-style residence. The house is significant under Criteria A for its association with the agricultural and suburban development of central Salt Lake County. The Butler-Wallin House was originally built as the showpiece of a 35-acre farm. The house and farm had several owners during the historic period, and each had different agricultural use for the property. The farm acreage land was sold for residential development between the 1950s and 1980s, but the house remains a distinctive reminder of the neighborhood's agricultural heritage. The Butler-Wallin House is a rare example of a farmhouse that represents a subset of second-generation Salt Lake County residents, the "gentlemen" farmers. Prosperous businessmen, who like Robert Butler and Alvin G. Wallin, kept their in-town jobs while maintaining suburban farms for hobby, experimentation, and educational purposes. The Butler-Wallin House is also significant under Criterion C as an architectural landmark in the area. Its first owner, Robert W. Butler, whose avocation was architecture, designed the Butler-Wallin House. The design of the house was derived from published plans for farmhouses, but adapted by Butler to produce a period revival hybrid of the English Tudor and Colonial Revival styles. It is the only large frame period revival-style house in the area. The home's beautiful architecture and lush landscaping made it a popular venue for weddings, reception and other social events during the historic period. The Butler-Wallin House and landscape contribute to the historic resources of its Salt Lake County neighborhood.

The George Hotel – Kanosh, presented by Cory Jensen. The George Hotel, built c. 1887, in Kanosh, Utah, is both historically and architecturally significant under Criteria A and C. Under Criterion A it is significant as the only remaining residential hotel in Kanosh and one of only a few in Utah. Originally built as a private residence in c. 1887, the house was converted into a hotel c. 1900. James Gardner, the town of Kanosh's first mayor, built the original dwelling. Since its inception as the George Hotel in c. 1900, the building has been a central feature of community activities as a temporal residence for travelers and business people, as a gathering place for local citizens, as a recreational center for activities such as dances, and as a dwelling for the George family. The building is architecturally significant under Criterion C as a fine vernacular example of the Gothic Revival style in an isolated settlement and is still one of the most prominent buildings in town. The building retains its integrity and continues to be a prominent contributing historic residence in the town of Kanosh.

Kim Hyatt made the motion to approve The George Hotel and Butler-Wallin House for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Wally Wright seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous approval.

**NEXT MEETING:
THURSDAY, May 19, The Rio Grande Board Room**

Chere Romney made the motion to adjourn. John Barton seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous vote.

Following the Board meeting, there was a tour of the State Capitol renovation.

Adjourned: 3:15 pm